

**To:** Chairperson and Authority Members      **Date:** June 13, 2002  
**From:** Mehdi Morshed, Executive Director  
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**Discussion**

Staff will present an update of the technical studies being done in the Los Angeles-Orange County-San Diego (LOSSAN) corridor. In addition, Caltrans will present a summary of their scoping meetings held in April 2002. The scoping meetings were a requirement for Caltrans to create a program EIR/EIS document for rail improvements in the LOSSAN corridor. Caltrans is the lead state agency and the Federal Railroad administration is the federal lead agency for the LOSSAN corridor program EIR/EIS document. The Authority participated in each of the Caltrans scoping meetings, using these public forums as an opportunity to get input on design alternatives for incremental improvements to the LOSSAN corridor. Conceptual plan and profile drawings were displayed for potential high-speed train alternatives at Mirimar Canyon, Del Mar, Encinitas, Carlsbad, San Clemente, and San Juan Capistrano.